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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Conversation with Ed Braswell, Chief Counsel, Senate  
Armed Services Committee, re DDCI Appointment

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Today I asked Mr. Braswell whether they had heard anything from the White House in response to Chairman Stennis' letter to the President sometime ago on the above subject, or whether they had any indication of a nomination being forwarded to them in the near future. Mr. Braswell said the Chairman's letter had never been answered and that no one in the Administration had ever discussed the problem with them except that on one occasion Braswell understood Admiral Moorer had mentioned it to Senator Stennis. Braswell said he was not present at the time, but he understood from Stennis that Moorer had referred to [redacted] as "our man" and indicated that [redacted] had the support of the Defense Department. Braswell said that if the White House, CIA and Defense all supported [redacted] he would undoubtedly be confirmed, but it "might get pretty bloody."

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